

REMARKS

Summary of the Corrected Amendment

Upon entry of the currently submitted *Listing of Claims*, the claim numbering discrepancy noted by the Examiner will have been addressed and overcome. In particular, original claims 65 (second occurrence) – 113 will have been renumbered as 67 – 114. Accordingly, claims 55 – 114 are currently pending.

Summary of the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment

In the instant Notice, the Examiner has required that the “*Amendment to the Claims*” section of Applicant’s August 31, 2007 Preliminary Amendment be corrected to renumber the second occurrence of claim 65. By the present amendment, Applicants submit the claims have been amended to address this formality identified by the Examiner.

Accordingly, Applicants request the Examiner consider the amended claims when considering the merits of the same in an examination on the merits of pending claims 55 – 114.

Authorization to Charge Deposit Account

As the instant response has been submitted within the one month period set for response, Applicants submit no fees are necessary to ensure consideration of the instant amendment. However, if fees are deemed necessary by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the undersigned authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, including any extensions of time fees required to place the application in condition for allowance by Examiner’s Amendment, to Deposit Account No. 19 - 0089 in order to maintain pendency of this application.

CONCLUSION

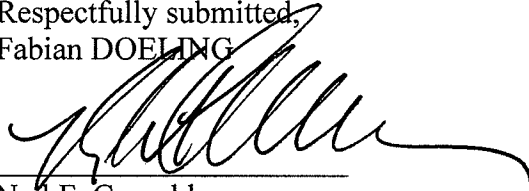
The claims amendments made in this paper have been presented to correct claim numbering. Therefore, Applicants submit the amendments do not narrow the scope of the

original claims, and have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability. Accordingly, no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the outstanding Office Action and allowance of the present application and all the claims therein are respectfully requested and now believed to be appropriate.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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